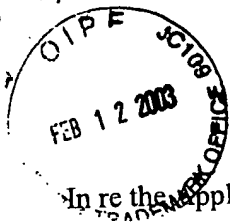


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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Tadayuki KAMEYAMA et al.**

Serial Number: **09/929,063**

BOX 17

ATTN: Refund Section
Accounting Division
Office of Finance

Filed: **August 15, 2001**

For: **POLARIZING MEMBER, OPTICAL MEMBER AND LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE**

REQUEST FOR REFUND

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Refund
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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 12, 2003

Sir:

The undersigned respectfully requests a partial refund of **\$84.00** which the PTO erroneously charged an amount of \$168.00 ($\84.00×2 independent claims in excess of twenty) under the fee code 1201 to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340 on October 9, 2002 in the subject application.

The filing fee of \$710.00 which covers a total of 8 original claims with 1 **original independent claim** was paid on August 15, 2001 at the initial filing of the new application. New claims 9-17 (total of 8 additional claims with 3 **additional independent claims**) were added in the Amendment filed October 1, 2002. Accordingly, the total number of independent claims in excess of twenty after the filing of the Amendment was 1.

A copy of the Monthly Statement of Deposit Account and the Amendment is attached herewith.

It is respectfully requested that the refund be credited to Deposit Account 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

ARMSTRONG, WESTERMAN & HATTORI, LLP

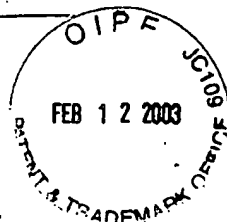
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Encls: Copy of Monthly Statement of Deposit Account
Copy of Amendment filed October 1, 2002



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Page**Deposit Account Statement**

Requested Statement Month: October 2002
 Deposit Account Number: 012340
 Name: ARMSTRONG WESTERMAN HATTORI
 Attention: CHRISTINE LEE
 Address: 1725 K STREET, NW
 City: WASHINGTON
 State: DC
 Zip: 20006

DATE	SEQ	POSTING REF TXT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NBR	FEE CODE	AMT	BAL	
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START	SUM OF	SUM OF	END
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\$16,475.36	\$6,153.00	\$1,964.00	\$12,286.36

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In re the Application of:

Tadayuki KAMEYAMA et al.

Serial Number: 09/929,063

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Group Art Unit: 2871

Filed: August 15, 2001

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: POLARIZING MEMBER, OPTICAL MEMBER AND LIQUID-CRYSTAL DISPLAY
DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: October 1, 2002

Sir:

Applicants respectfully request that the present application be amended as follows.

No marked-up version of the amendments is included in this paper, as the amendments only
add claims.

AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add new claims 9-17 as follows:

(9) (New) A polarizing member comprising:

an absorption type polarizing film; and

one or more polymer material layers provided on one or both of opposite surfaces of said absorption type polarizing film, wherein each polymer material layer comprises a polymer made from a polymer solution which has been filtrated by a filtration film to thereby purify the polymer to a state in which low molecular weight bodies have been removed.

(10) (New) A polarizing member comprising:

(21, 22) an absorption type polarizing film; and

(11, 12) one or more polymer material layers provided on one or both of opposite surfaces of said absorption type polarizing film; and

(see col 12 l 66 - col 13 l 7 and col 14 l 10-15)
a migration preventing layer disposed between said absorption type polarizing film and each of said polymer material layers.

11. (New) The polarizing member according to claim 10, wherein the migration preventing layer comprises purified polymer.

12. (New) The polarizing member according to claim 10, wherein the migration preventing layer is a silica film.

SiO_2

13. (New) The polarizing member according to claim 10, wherein the migration preventing layer is a metal-oxide deposited film.

14. (New) The polarizing member according to claim 10, wherein the migration preventing layer comprises a silicone agent. *~ anything to make SiO*

15. (New) The liquid-crystal display device according to claim 7, which additionally comprises a light source having a luminance of 500 cd/m² or higher.

16. (New) The liquid-crystal display device according to claim 7, which additionally comprises a back sidelight having a luminance of 500 cd/m² or higher.

17. (New) A polymer material layer comprising a polymer made from a polymer solution which has been filtrated by a filtration film to thereby purify the polymer to a state in which low molecular weight bodies have been removed.

REMARKS

By the present amendment, new claims 9-17 have been added.

Support for new claims 9-17 is found in the original application, in particular on pages 14 (claims 15-16), 15 (claims 9 and 17) and 17 (claims 10-14).

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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